

SOVEREIGN GRACE CHURCH

March 27th, 2016

“There is therefore NOW NO
CONDEMNATION to them
which are in Christ Jesus,
who walk not after the flesh,
but after the Spirit.”

ROMANS 8:1

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Schedule of Services

Sunday School 10:00 am

Sunday Worship 11:00 am

Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm

Nursery

Nursery available for 4 years old and younger

Happy Birthday!

Georgia Gibbs-27, Angela Stephens-28, Sandra Murphy-29

“God’s only Book says, ‘...*we have redemption through His blood.*’ Beloved, it does not say one day when we get our ‘*act in order*’ we will have redemption through His blood. It does not say when we have done ‘*our very best*’ we will eventually have redemption through His blood. What does it say beloved? God says of His blessed people ‘...*we have redemption through His blood.*’ To you who are believing on the Son of God as all your salvation. To you who are resting and trusting in CHRIST; in His righteousness, in His faithfulness alone for your salvation, I declare this...you are redeemed through His blood!” —**PASTOR**

**“PRECIOUS IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD
IS THE DEATH OF HIS SAINTS.”** (PSALM 116:15)

“...No goldsmith is half so careful of the particles of his golden treasure, as JESUS is of the precious dust of his body, the CHURCH. Though scattered to the four winds, or buried in the bottom of the sea, his eye beholds all; his arm upholds, and preserves all; and his power at the period appointed, will as easily gather all together, as at the first he called the whole into existence out of nothing.”

UNKNOWN PREACHER

FROM THE COTTAGE FUNERAL BY ROBERT HAWKER

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THE BEST ROBE

Beloved, the Father has commanded His *'righteousness servant'* to bring forth the *'best robe'* and *'put it on'* us! In the covenant of grace our Heavenly Father has said to his *Righteous Servant*, his only begotten SON, bring forth the *'best robe'*, YOUR righteousness, and *'put it on'* my people, *put a ring on Jerusalem*, and tell her that I have loved her with an *everlasting love*, and put shoes on her feet, shoes that *walk not after the flesh*, but shoes that *walk after the Spirit* by and in Christ that testify *no condemnation!* (LUKE 15:22, ISAIAH 53:11, ROMANS 8:1)

PASTOR

WHO MAKES THE DIFFERENCE?

"...WHO MAKETH THEE TO DIFFER FROM ANOTHER? AND WHAT HAST THOU THAT THOU DIDST NOT RECEIVE? NOW IF THOU DIDST RECEIVE IT, WHY DOST THOU GLORY, AS IF THOU HADST NOT RECEIVED IT." (1 CORINTHIANS 4:7)

If there is one great battering ram to pride it is this, who makes you to differ from another?

Is there anything that you have that you did not receive? Do you have faith? Have you a new heart, a new nature? Do you have a heart that loves God, that bows and submits to and feels its need of Christ? A heart that loves the brethren?

If you received these graces, and you received a new heart it is because of the Sovereign grace of Christ. We cannot glory in any grace, any love, any gift that we have, for we have them because of GRACE. Why would we be proud as if these things were of our own making? For who maketh thee do differ from another? Do you believe and have a knowledge of the Lord Jesus? How many in your family are without any knowledge of Him, or even an interest in Christ? How many of them are still steeped in their religious traditions and darkness? Who made you to differ?

In any direction you choose to look you see sin, drunkenness, profanity, immorality, homes and families destroyed, drugs in every community. Our prisons cannot hold the criminals of our society, superstition and religious easy believism has multitudes in its clutches. But, who made thee to differ?

Let me ask you, are you better by nature than these? Were you more godly or better in hearing than these? The only difference between us and the vilest soul on earth and in hell is the Sovereign grace of God!

DONNIE BELL

“TIS NOT THAT I DID CHOOSE THEE,
FOR LORD, THAT COULD NOT BE.
THIS HEART WOULD STILL REFUSE THEE
HADST THOU NOT CHOSEN ME!”

“CHRIST IS ALL”

“...THERE IS NEITHER GREEK NOR JEW, CIRCUMCISION NOR UNCIRCUMCISION, BARBARIAN, SCYTHIAN, BOND NOR FREE: BUT CHRIST IS ALL, AND IN ALL.” (COLOSSIANS 3:11)

If salvation depends upon our being or doing anything, we shall inevitably be lost. Thank God, it does not; for the great fundamental principle of the Gospel is that Christ is *all*; man is *nothing*. It is not a mixture of Christ and man—it is *all* of Christ.

The peace of the Gospel does not rest in part on *Christ's work* and in part on *man's work*; it rests wholly on *Christ's work*, because that work is perfect, perfect forever, and it renders all who put their trust in Him as perfect as Himself! Christ must either be a *whole* Saviour or *no* Saviour at all.

The moment a man says, ‘*Except you be this or that you cannot be saved,*’ he totally subverts the Gospel; for in the Gospel I find Christ coming down to me, just as I am—a lost guilty, self-destroyed sinner, and coming, moreover, with a full remission of all my sins, and a full salvation from my lost estate, all perfectly wrought by *Himself* on the cross. (HEBREWS 1:3)

C.H. MACKINTOSH

WHY DID HE SAVE ME?

“...HE SAITH TO MOSES, I WILL HAVE MERCY ON WHOM I WILL HAVE MERCY, AND I WILL HAVE COMPASSION ON WHOM I WILL HAVE COMPASSION. SO THEN IT IS NOT OF HIM THAT WILLETH, NOR OF HIM THAT RUNNETH, BUT OF GOD THAT SHEWETH MERCY.” ROMANS 9:15-16

“I think, throughout eternity if we had this problem to solve, ‘*why did He save me?*’, we should still go on making wrong guesses, but we could never arrive at the right conclusion, unless we should say once for all, I DO NOT KNOW. He did as He willed. He will have mercy on whom He will have mercy. He will have compassion on whom He will have compassion.”

C.H. SPURGEON